(c) the action taken by the Union government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b). The Government of Himachal Pradesh have demanded allocation of 20,000 MTs of wheat & 7150 MTs of rice for the month of December, 1991. No requests have been received for increasing supplies of sugar and edible oils recently.

(c) Allocations of foodgrains from the Central Pool are made keeping in view the availability of stocks in the Central Pool, seasonal availability, relative requirements o various States/UTs, and other related factors. These allocations are supplemental in nature and are not intended to meet the entire requirement of a State/UT. Reasonable allocations are being made to the state of Himachal Pradesh.

[English]

## **Relief to Family Pensioners**

3238. SHRI SUSHIL CHAMDRA

VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any relief has been given to the family pensioners against the rise in prices;
- (b) if not, whether the Government are considering to give adequate relief to such pensioners; and
  - (c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Doesn't, arise.
- (c) Dearness relief on family pension is admissible at the same rates as that on pension which is released from time to time. The latest instalment of dearness relief on pension/family pension as released with effect from 1.7.91 is as follows:-

Amount of Pension Family Pension

Upto Rs.1750/-

From Rs. 1751/-to Rs.3000/-

Above Rs.3000/-

Rate of Dearness Relief

60% of pension/family pension

45% of pension/lamily pension subject to a minimum of Rs. 1050/-

39% of pension/family pension subject to a minimum of Rs. 1350/-

## [Translation]

## Growth Centres in U.P.

3239. SHRI RAM PAL SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Growth Centres pro-

posed to be opened in Uttar Pradesh for the industrial Development of the State;

(b) whether there is any scheme to open a growth centre in newly created district of Siddarthanagar which is also a no-industry district;